

REMARKS

Claims 1, 13, 25, 31 and 33 have been amended. Claims 1-34 remain pending in the application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Section 102(e) Rejection:

The Office Action rejected claims 1, 10, 11, 13, 22, 23, 25, 28, 29, 31 and 33 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Carre (U.S. Patent 6,282,579). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection in light of the following remarks.

Carre does not teach receiving a plurality of communications each pertaining to a different one of a plurality of managed objects from a management server for the managed objects, wherein each communication comprises data typed according to an abstract syntax notation, and accessing a converter interface for each communication for converting the abstract syntax notation data types of each communication to interface definition language data types, wherein the same converter interface is accessed for each of the managed objects such that the converting is generic to the managed objects, as recited in claim 1. Carre does not teach a management server for a plurality of managed objects. Furthermore, the implementations shown in Carre's Figs. 2a – 5 are for a particular manager and agent or object. However, according to claim 1, the same converter interface is accessed for each of a plurality of managed objects. In other words, the converter interface is generic to the managed objects. In the prior art, as discussed in Applicant's Description of the Relevant Art section at p. 7 lines 14-27, to provide for CORBA communications a specific IDL interface is defined and compiled for each managed object. In contrast, Applicants' claimed invention provides a converter that is generic to the managed objects. Thus, as recited in claim 1, the same converter interface can be used for each managed object. New managed objects may be dynamically added, without having to define and compile a specific IDL interface mapping for that object.

Instead, the generic converter interface may be used dynamically for newly added objects. The prior art, including Carre, does not teach such a generic converter.

Similar arguments apply in regard to the other independent claims.

Section 103(a) Rejection:

The Office Action rejected claims 2-6, 12, 14-18, 24, 26 and 27 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Carre in view of Applicants' admitted prior art. Claims 7-9, 19-21, 32 and 34 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(e) as being unpatentable over Carre. Claim 30 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(e) as being unpatentable over Carre in view of Goldberg et al. (U.S. Patent 6,496,833). Applicants traverse these rejections for at least the reasons given above in regard to the independent claims.

In regard to both the section 102(e) and section 103(a) rejections, Applicants also assert that numerous ones of the dependent claims recited further distinctions over the cited art. However, since the independent claims have been shown to be patentably distinct, a further discussion of the dependent claims is not necessary at this time.

CONCLUSION

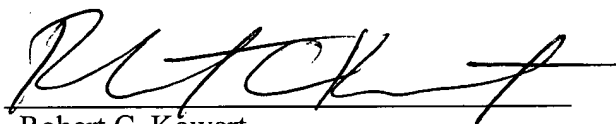
Applicants submit the application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If any extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above referenced application from becoming abandoned, Applicants hereby petition for such extension. If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5500-61600/RCK.

Also enclosed herewith are the following items:

- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☐ Notice of Change of Address
- ☐ Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit in the amount of \$
for fees ().
- ☐ Other:

Respectfully submitted,



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